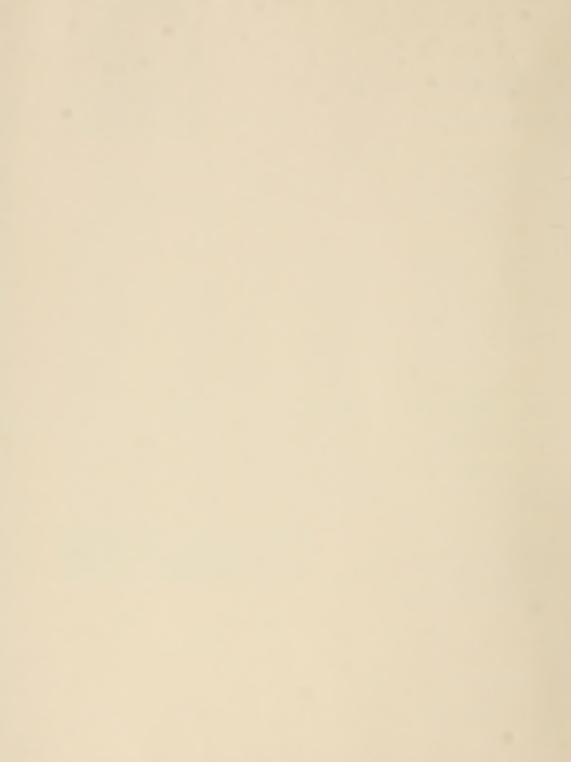


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PC Opens 90th Session With Record 782

New enrollment records and a formal convocation launched Presbyterian College into its 90th session.

By the time classwork began on September 1 the student body total stood at 782 as compared with last year's previous high of 720. The number divided into 570 men and 212 women, both new records. And the largest freshman class in history drew 220 men and 100 women.

Other statistics indicate there were 731 resident students—including 515 in the four men's dormitories, 179 in two women's dormitories and 37 married students living in Clinton apartments and mobile homes. Commuting students number 51, some taking limited hours.

Giving added academic tone to the start of the 1969-70 session was the opening convocation attended by the entire student body and the faculty in robed procession. Dr. Jack K. Williams, vice-president for academic affairs at the University of Tennessee, delivered the main address.

PC faculty ranks also were larger than ever before, numbering 62 in full-time and part-time capacities. Because the retention rate has been higher, there were fewer replacement faculty members starting this session than in recent years.

The nine additions to faculty and staff this fall are listed below:

Mrs. Alta W. Alberga, instructor in art — bachelor of fine arts, Washington University; MFA, University of Illinois; BA and MA, Wichita State University. She is a Tuscaloosa, Ala., native who has taught at Wichita State, Webster College and in various public schools and has managed her own studio.

Dr. Carl J. Arnold, professor of economics and business administration — BS and MS, Virginia Polytechnic Institute; PhD, Michigan State University. He is a Bristol, Va., native who came to PC from the Rollins College faculty. He also has

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The convocation's academic processional lends formal tone to the first student assembly.









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taught at the University of Florida and VPI.

Mary Balle, instructor in English—BS, Winthrop College; MS, New York School of Retailing; MA. Middlebury College. A Laurens, S. C., native, she has taught for many years in various public school systems, including the past 30 years in Charlotte.

Mrs. Berdie-Ella J. Buffkin, part-time instructor in mathematics-BA, Coker College; MA, Furman University. She has had experience as a high school teacher, as an instructor at the University of South Carolina and at Norman College. Lives in nearby Greenwood, S. C.

Mrs. Judith Ann Burns, part-time instructor in biology handling laboratories-BS, University of South Carolina. She has been a laboratory assistant and instructor at USC during post-graduate work there and has taught in high school. A native of New York City currently living in Laurens, S. C.

Forrest G. Hutchings III, instructor in psychology-BA and MA, West Georgia College, where he served as a graduate instructor and research assistant. He is a native of Cartersville, Ga.

Dr. George M. Jenkins, visiting associate professor of sociology—BA, Mississippi College; BD, Southern Baptist Seminary; ThD, New Orleans Baptist Seminary; post-doctoral work in sociology, University of Georgia. A Whiteville, Tenn., native he has taught previously at William Carey College and Tift College, and also has served as a pastor.

Robert P. Piephoff, assistant director of admissions—BA, from PC in 1963 (summa cum laude); BD, Columbia Theological Seminary; ThM, Union Seminary in Virginia. Son of alumnus Dr. C. E. Piephoff '22, who has held pastorates in Georgia and South Carolina, Robert served a year as assistant minister of Greenville's Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Col. William B. Tuttle, Jr., professor of military science-BS, United States Military Academy. A native of Ohio, he comes to PC after his second Vietnam tour during a Regular Army career which has included service in World War II and Korea, and a three-year assignment on the Citadel ROTC faculty.

Alumni Scholarships

Old Grads Help Students

Six students from four states entered PC as freshmen this fall on newly created Alumni Scholarships of the Alumni Association.

The grants to students of superior intellectual ability are underwritten by funds contributed to the Annual Giving program. Under provisions of this scholarship project, up to ten high school graduates will be selected each year to receive financial aid ranging from an honorary stipend to \$7,200 for the four years, depending upon need.

The 1969 recipients of Alumni Scholarships are: Robert Loupe and Mary Purvis, both of Darlington, S. C.: Karen Carnes of Lancaster, S. C.: John McRee of North Augusta, S. C.; Diana Harris of Macon, Ga., and Stephen Benz of Jacksonville.

Football Outlook Uncertain

Question marks dangle over the Blue Hose football scene, where a young team-lighter and slower than last year - seeks to defend its Carolinas Conference co-championship.

Twenty-seven upperclassmen (16 lettermen) and 35 freshmen compose the varsity roster. After the first units on offense and defense, the ranks are filled with first-year men, so their rapid development is crucial.

Coach Cally Gault pins his hopes on the strong passing arm of junior Allen McNeill, who showed great promise his first two years behind Bill Kirtland, Fullback Phil Bradner, the number one runner of 1968 with a 4.2 average, will be assisted by sophomore halfbacks Johnny Jackson and Tam Milton. Place-kicker Sandy Cruickshanks returns.

Defense, where PC led the conference last year, poses problems - both in the backfield and interior line. The bulwark up front is Middle Guard Ed Paulling, assisted by End Johnny Bankhead with Bobby Norris at one line-backer spot. Other key defensive linemen are lettermen Rowland McLaughlin, Lynn Spurlin, Bill Bradshaw and Ray Smith. And returning to starting positions in the offensive line are Tackle Carey Fussell, Center Phil Shroyer and End Bill Caldwell.

Heading into another 11-game schedule Gault tries to be optimistic, but it's mainly because he is "getting a real fine effort" from his team.







McNeill



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Mr. and Mrs. McLeod (center) discuss details of Bible chair with their daughter. Mrs. Robert T. Herrington, and President Weersing.

McLeods Establish Bible Chair In Memory of Granddaughter

The Kristen Herrington Chair of Bible has been established at Presbyterian College by Mr. and Mrs. John F. McLeod of Chesterfield, S. C., in memory of their granddaughter.

Gifts totaling \$88,000 already have been placed in a fund toward the endowment of this chair. It is named in honor of Kristen Herrington, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Herrington of Chapel Hill, N. C., who died at age 4 in early 1963.

McLeod, owner of the McLeod Plywood Box Company and a lifetime member of the PC board of trustees who served actively 1951-66, began setting aside funds in 1965 toward the eventual establishment of the chair as a memorial to his grand-daughter.

President Weersing, in an-



nouncing the gift, pointed out the income from this endowed investment will serve in perpetuity to help undergird the im-

Gettys

portant mission of Bible teaching at PC.

He also announced that Dr. Joseph M. Gettys has been designated as the first Kristen Herrington Professor of Bible. Dr. Gettys, a noted author of religious books, has been teaching Bible here since he joined the PC faculty in 1956 and has served as academic dean from 1962 until his May retirement from that phase of his work.

Annual Giving Reaches \$57,400

A total of \$57,400—more than one-third of the \$150,000 goal—had been contributed to PC's 1969 Annual Giving program by September 1.

This amount has come from 680 alumni and friends for a variety of objectives including scholarship aid, faculty salary increases and departmental improvements. The Walter Johnson Club sub-total for athletic grants stands at \$17,500.

The PC Annual Giving program, which has received national recognition from the United States Steel Foundation and the American Alumni Council, brought in a record \$153,138 last year. It operates on a calendar-year basis, with major emphasis coming in the last quarter.

Campus Events

Four important programs will attract large groups of alumni, friends and visitors to the campus this fall. They are September 20
Alumni Leadership Conference October 4
Homecoming

October 25
Presbyterian Youth Day
November 1
Parents Day

Kresge Gives \$25,000 Toward Library

A \$25,000 grant toward the construction of the proposed new library building has been awarded to the College by the Kresge Foundation of Detroit.

Notification of the grant came from William H. Baldwin, president and a trustee of the Foundation. It is conditioned upon raising the balance of the funds needed for the building by next June 15.

The new library is one of the major objectives of PC's current capital funds campaign now being conducted in the Synod of South Carolina. James H. Thomason, Sr., of Laurens County and Stuart, Fla., has made a gift of \$750,000 toward this new facility, and other contributions also are being received to underwrite its cost.

The Kresge Foundation is widely known for its generous support of higher education and of various religious, health and youth agencies. It was founded in 1924 by Sebastian S. Kresge, founder of the Kresge Company.

EXCEL Campaign Enters Home Stretch

As numerous South Carolina churches considered putting the EXCEL capital campaign in their upcoming budgets, the PC drive for plant and endowment expansion ended its first year still short of the \$2 million objective.

President Marc C. Weersing said some congregations which had not reported last spring held individual campaigns during the summer months. Others plan to meet their PC quotas through fall campaigns or through budget designation.

As of September 1 the EXCEL total stood at approximately \$1,-800,000. But almost one-half of this amount — \$776,869 — was raised in the local kickoff campaign in Laurens County last fall. Beyond the local area South Carolina Synod churches have subscribed \$783,156 for the PC program and trustees have added \$203,724. Alumni outside the state and the trustee group have contributed \$36,252.

President Weersing pointed out that the \$783,156 from churches to date represents responses from less than half of the synod congregations. He said indication of cooperation to come should assure a substantial increase in this amount over the next few months. Synod leaders hope to raise almost \$2 million from churches outside Laurens County to assure the College badly needed funds above the EXCEL goal.

In its current development program the College has a maximum goal of \$5 million to cover the immediate plant and endowment requirements. Plans already are completed for a new library, physical education

center and infirmary. Toward this maximum goal and in addition to the EXCEL campaign funds a \$500,000 gift for the library has been made by James H. Thomason, Sr., of Stuart, Fla., and Laurens County, who earlier had contributed \$250,000.

The EXCEL campaign, by far the most ambitious single fundraising project ever attempted by the Synod of South Carolina, is under the leadership of these men: General Chairman -Robert M. Vance of Clinton; Synod Lay Chairman - C. Douglas Wilson of Greenville; Synod Ministerial Chairman — Dr. Arthur M. Martin of Columbia; Synod Special Gifts Chairman - John I. Smith of Greenville; Laurens County chairman - C. W. Anderson of Clinton.

To honor Lynn, Pinson:

Homecoming Points To October 4

Homecoming '69 will honor two outstanding alumni with the presentation of the Alumni Gold P to Dr. R. Matthew Lynn '24 of Midland, Tex., and the Alumni Service Award to Furman B. Pinson, Jr., '33 of Greensboro, N. C., on October 4.

Hundreds of alumni will return to the PC campus for this occasion which also will feature the installation of 1970 alumni officers, class reunions, barbecue under the oaks and the afternoon football game against Wofford. The reunion classes: 1919, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1929, 1939, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1954, 1959, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964 and 1967.

Dr. Lynn, Gold P recipient and pastor of the Midland First Church, is the newly elected moderator of the Presbyterian US General Assembly. Pinson is a vice-president of J. P. Stevens Co.



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